

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Donald W. Jones, on January 31, 2017 at 8:45 AM, in Room 472  
Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Donald W. Jones, Chair (R)  
Sen. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)  
Sen. Lea Whitford (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Branch  
Abigail Konen, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:** Agency Budget Hearing: Montana University System and Student Assistance

**AGENCY BUDGET HEARING: MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**  
**AND STUDENT ASSISTANCE**

00:00:38 Chair D. Jones  
00:00:50 Paul Tuss, Montana Board of Regents  
00:04:59 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a01\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a02\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a03\)](#)

00:12:30 Commissioner Clayton Christian, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)  
00:19:13 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)  
00:25:43 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:27:04 Vice Chair L. Jones  
00:27:19 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
00:29:36 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:30:51 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
00:33:14 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:34:24 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
00:34:38 Rep. Burnett joined the meeting  
00:37:07 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:37:19 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
00:41:29 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:41:30 Rep. Hamlett joined the meeting  
00:42:31 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
00:45:19 President Waded Cruzado, Montana State University (MSU)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a04\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a05\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a06\)](#)

00:52:13 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
00:53:04 President Sheila Stearns, University of Montana (UM)  
[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a07\)](#)

01:02:35 Chair D. Jones  
01:03:15 President Sheila Stearns, UM  
01:05:24 Vice Chair L. Jones  
01:07:03 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
01:10:14 Rep. Burnett  
01:11:05 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
01:12:10 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
01:16:49 Tom Crady, University of Montana (UM)  
01:21:25 Sen. Whitford  
01:27:07 Tom Crady, UM  
01:27:42 Rep. Burnett  
01:28:36 Tom Crady, UM  
01:28:59 Rep. Woods  
01:29:34 Tom Crady, UM  
01:30:26 Rep. Woods

01:30:34 President Waded Cruzado, MSU  
01:30:46 Rep. Woods  
01:30:58 President Waded Cruzado, MSU  
01:31:22 Rep. Hamlett  
01:36:46 Tom Crady, UM  
01:37:27 Rep. Hamlett  
01:37:43 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
01:38:22 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
01:44:14 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
01:44:48 Rep. Woods  
01:45:30 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
01:46:08 Rep. Hamlett  
01:51:30 Deputy Commissioner Tyler Trevor, OCHE  
01:51:45 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
01:52:23 Rep. Woods  
01:53:33 James Guyer, Montana Family Medicine Residency

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a08\)](#)

01:59:53 Ned Vasquez, Montana Family Medicine Residency of Western Montana

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a09\)](#)

02:04:34 Eric Arzubi, Billings Clinic

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a10\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a11\)](#)

02:09:37 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
02:10:10 Rep. Hamlett  
02:12:06 Commissioner Clayton Christian, OCHE  
02:12:39 Rep. Hamlett

02:13:00 Recess

02:22:36 Reconvene

02:23:44 Kasey Sweeney, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a12\)](#)

02:26:00 Shea Stevens, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club, Bozeman  
Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah (WIMU) Students

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a13\)](#)

02:30:20 Conner Van Dyken, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:30:34 Ali Blain, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:30:42 Denique Walker, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:30:56 Alyssa Riley, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:31:10 Frank Marcy, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:31:18 Ben Roeder, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:31:32 Angie Muggli, Montana State University (MSU) Pre-Vet Club  
02:32:03 Stuart Doggett, Montana Veterinary Medical Association  
02:33:07 Andy Bixler, Montana Associated Students (MAS)

02:38:22 Sam Forstag, Montana Associated Students, Associated Students of University of Montana (ASUM)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a14\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a15\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh22a16\)](#)

02:42:38 Levi Birky, Montana University System (MUS)

02:45:16 Dillon Ecord, Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU)

02:47:26 Benjamin Kuiper, University of Montana (UM)

02:48:17 Elle Fetting, Associated Students of University of Montana (ASUM)

02:49:24 Abbigail Belcher, Associated Students of University of Montana (ASUM)

02:50:50 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association

02:52:32 Rep. Hopkins

02:53:41 Sen. Whitford

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:54:57

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Abigail Konen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([jeh22aad.pdf](#))